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By Kenneth Johnston

THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

A few years ago serious criticism was leveled at "student preachers" because they generally lived away from the fields served, they could only give service on week ends, and they were not yet adequately trained.

While these statements were all true, a survey of congregations in Indiana served by students revealed the fact that, in proportion to church membership, students had more baptisms than other congregations of comparable size regardless of the type of ministry rendered. Without attempting to analyze the reasons, the facts were as stated.

N. C. C. is primarily an educational institution but in the advancement of ministerial education it also serves as a center from which evaneglists go to fields which would otherwise be neglected. No comparative study has been made, at least in recent days, concerning the effectiveness of student ministers in Oregon. However, one thing is certain. N. C. C. students and Faculty are committed to doing the most effective evangelistic work possible while the educational program is carried forward. We believe the Gospel so much that we want to tell it to everyone we can in the best way we can. In so doing, we hope to do our part in making Oregon more and more Christian.—Ross J. Griffeth.

Apples for Student Body

A welcome gift in the form of a nice box of apples was presented to N. C. C. faculty and students by Roy E. Will of Dayton, Oregon. Many thanks to Mr. Will.

N. C. C. Students

Three hundred and eight students are enrolled for the fall term of school—138 men and 170 women. These young people come from 157 congregations, fourteen states, one from Alaska, and one from Jamaica.

N. C. C. Quartet

A new male quartet is being presented to the churches of the Northwest for this school year, although two of the members served on the quartet last year. They are: Orris Doty, 1st tenor; Glenn Johnson, 2nd tenor; Jim Kinsey, baritone; Ray Renzema, base.

Lorance Dossett

Lorance Dossett, formerly head of the voice department of N. C. C. is now engaged in concert work. He is booked solid for several weeks ahead. The following announcement from Lubbock, Texas, will be of interest to his many friends:

Lubbock Women's Club presents Oscar J. Fox, Song Writer, in a program of his songs sung by Lorance Dossett with Mr. Fox at the piano.

Thanksgiving

At the time of this writing N. C. C. faculty and students are very conscious of the thanksgiving season. Many of the students are spending the holdiay at home with their families, others are staying in Eugene. We have received along with others the manifold blessings that so often we take for granted—food, clothing, shelter, health, and a myriad of other blessings. For these we are thankful.

We are grateful too for the specific and special blessings that have come to N. C. C. in recent months. In Eugene where there is **no housing**—housing has been secured. Equipment and supplies for essential building that seemed impossible to find, has been found. The greatest student body in the history of the College is being trained for Christian service.

For all these expressions of God's care and love we are thankful. We are happy for music and laughter that comes from consecrated young people who are preparing for the Christian ministry. They face the future with optimism, confident that God has a place for them in building His Kingdom.

God is blessing N. C. C. We are thankful.

G. I.'s Build Homes

Three married G. I. students at N. C. C. are beating the Eugene housing shortage by building their own homes. They are: Bob Gipe, Ed Farrell and John Myers.

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Law and Expediency

When Walter Scott died in 1861 Alexander Campbell wrote of him in the Millennial Harbinger as follows:

"I knew him well. I loved him much. We might not, indeed, agree in every opinion nor in every point of expediency. But we never loved each other less because we did not acquiesce in every opinion, and in every measure. By the eye of faith and the eye of hope, methinks I see him in Abraham's bosom."

Campbell and Scott differed quite sharply at times, but they had learned the difference between faith and opinion, between law and expediency. Had the present generation of the church kept that distinction in mind matters of method would not divide us. We in Oregon are learning that lesson and there is, perhaps, less friction here than elsewhere. May the lesson be learned everywhere.

You, or Ye?

A recent publication criticises the new Revised Standard Version of the New Testament on the ground that it applies the pronoun "you" to Jesus Christ instead of the archaic form "ye." It should be remembered that these are English words, and are translations, not the original words used in the Scriptures. They are NOT sacred words, as the criticism would imply. They were discarded because they are obsolete. If the Bible is to appear in present day English then why should an exception be made of one pronoun? There are more valid criticisms of the new version than that.

We become accustomed to certain forms of speech, and contrasting forms seem out of place. This is the nub of the matter here. The pronoun "you" does not take away from Jesus either deity or dignity. It will sound strange until one is accustomed to it. "As a man thinketh in his heart" let him say "you" or "ye" as he pleaseth.

Goulter Missionary Rallies Success

By Muriel Jordan

More than 1600 persons in Oregon heard the messages given by Dr. O. J. Goulter in his recent tour of the state accompanied by members of the Women's State Board of Missionary organizations, in a whirlwind visit to 17 churches in eastern and western Oregon. The first session was held in Ontario on November 13 and the closing meeting was held in Klamath Falls on November 24. Generally speaking, the attendance was very good, interest high and offerings to the Rural Evangelism program in China were generous, totaling close to one thousand dollars.

Mr. Goulter gave graphic accounts of present religious, political and economic conditions in China today and showed a reel of excellent colored films which he took in China immediately after his release from the Shanghai prison. Some views were of the Japanese army surrendering to the Chinese; others were of the dilapidated warehouse where he and 1200 other unfortunates were imprisoned for nearly three years; while the remainder of the film showed native church members in China and many of our mission properties including schools, churches and hospitals.

The new work that the Goulters will do when they return to the mission field next Summer will be a Rural Evangelization program which will cover all phases of life—Agriculture; Education; Medical education; Recreation and of course, Evangelization. It will be necessary to help the Chinese to become self-supporting and have an adequate diet before they can become interested in hearing of a loving God and Father of all mankind, so this program is planned to enrich the total life of the Chinese.

Before his internment, Mr. Goulter had more than twenty boys chosen from different areas of China who were outstanding young men, to whom he gave training in leadership in all of the five areas of life interest. These young men carried on during his imprisonment with their studies and are now back in their own villages teaching others the better way of life. Mr. Goulter continues to supervise their work and will train other young men as fast as possible so that the entire area in which our brotherhood works will soon be leavened with the program.

Mr. Goulter had pictures of the Christian College and Girl's School in Nanking which he was instrumental in getting back from the Japanese; also of our mission properties in Hofei, including his own home, the Children's church, school buildings, etc. which are still usable as well as some of the buildings of the city that had been bombed and burned during the war. He plans to return to the field accompanied by Mrs. Goulter about next July, or as soon as his health will permit.

Children's missionary education as well as that of Young People and adults was presented in each of the rallies, giving a well-rounded school of missions at each of the following towns: Ontario, LaGrande, Milton, Pendleton, Hermiston, The Dalles, Bend, Redmond, Portland, Astoria, Tillamook, Albany, Salem, Corvallis, Eugene, Roseburg and Klamath Falls. Women speakers at various sessions included: Mrs. Leslie J. Carson, Mrs. J. W. Jordan, Mrs. Walter Naff, Mrs. R. E. Moshier, Mrs. C. C Warner, Mrs. C. E. Veach, Mrs. Glenn Kendall, and Mrs. Catherine Saunders.

News about Missionaries

A telegram came recently from Mr. and Mrs. Ned Roberts announcing their arrival in the Belgian Congo where they will resume their work in the Mondombe station, following a year's furlough in this country. Much of this time was spent in acquiring additional specialized training for their work, while some time was needed for medical and dental check-ups. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were visitors in Portland during October when they spoke before the officers of the various missionary organizations of that area; and at the Portland Federation meeting on the following day. Other missionaries enroute to Africa are: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tillery, Miss Fern McMillan and Mrs. H. Gray Russell.

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Week of Compassion

The Week of Compassion has become an institution among us. It is the offering that expresses our compassion for human suffering. February 16-23 is the date for this year. Last year 45 Oregon churches contributed $8,399.87; this year Oregon is asked to have 48 churches contribute $9,000. Will Oregon do it? The answer lies with you.

Parsonages

Churches are learning that parsonages earn dividends in a preacher's effectiveness. A man who has no permanent place to live cannot do his best work.

Parsonages should be built with care. It must be both pleasant and comfortable. Church Extension suggests the following minimum standards:

1. Modern bathroom facilities.
2. Adequate heating system.
3. Windows and doors with weather protection.
4. Moderate in size—at least three bedrooms.
5. Minister's study.
6. Modern kitchen facilities.
7. A desirable neighborhood.

Avoid house difficult to heat, or out-of-date houses simply because they are cheap. You can buy, or build, a parsonage with the aid of church extension money. Write the Board of Church Extension, 222 S. Downey Ave., Indianapolis 7, Indiana.

Walter Scott: Voice of the Golden Oracle

This is the name of a new book of biography by Dwight Stevenson. It is a very interesting biography of one of the principal characters of the Restoration movement. The early history of the brotherhood is illuminated by this interesting book. Published by the Christian Board, St. Louis, Mo.

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Hearthstone

For several months we have been able to supply the Veteran's Hospital with 150 copies of Hearthstone. The chaplain says they are greatly appreciated. Just by advertising the need enough special contributions have come in to pay for them. The cost is $15 for 150. It is time to order the January-March issue, and there is no special money in for it now. Who will want to furnish that pleasure and profit to wounded veterans? Send the money to the state office and we will place the order.

Service Links

Everybody knows what a Living Link is—the support of a missionary on the foreign field. The cost for that is $1,000. This amount was set in the old days when that amount took care of it. But mounting costs have made it necessary to spend the same amount for the maintenance of the missionary. Hence, a Service Link is the missionary maintenance. In amount it is the same as the Living Link, $1,000. Now two churches may have the same missionary—one for living link support, the other for service link support.

Men's Program Material

The National Laymen's League of the Christian Church is issuing a program booklet under the title, "Program Material for Monthly Meetings of Men's Organizations." This booklet contains program suggestions for 1947 from January to December, omitting July and August, the vacation months.

These topics are related to the "Crusade for a Christian World," and it is hoped that men's groups will make use of this fine program book. The book will be ready for distribution in December and the price will be: Single copy, 25¢; 12, $2.75; 25, $5.00; 50, $9.50. Order from the Department of Men's Work, The United Christian Missionary Society, 222 Downey Avenue, Indianapolis 7, Indiana.

MALLORY AVENUE—18 were added in October. $500 was raised for the Hendricks. This will care for transportation to Japan, a refrigerator and a bicycle. Hubert E. Sias is pastor.

MEDFORD FIRST—E. R. Moon held a two weeks meeting in which there were 13 confessions and 3 added by statement, besides spiritually enriching the church. On the last Sunday there were 333 in Bible School and 307 in the morning worship. The youth group had 32. D. W. Daniels, pastor.

Direct Support Mission News

By J. Frank Cunningham

One of the most delightful missionary books for boys and girls that I have ever seen is the picture story, "Mission Rescue, Adventuring for Christ from Tibet to Burma." It is an action picture story in three parts, telling of the rescue of a blockaded mission, the rescue of stranded flyers, and the rescue of lost souls. It is the story of young missionary heroes as told by LaVerne Morse to Dorothy Fay Foster and pictured by Anthony Abruzzo. It will excite, inspire, and challenge boys and girls; and even adults, once they have started to "read the pictures" will not want to quit until they have reached the end. It is published by the Standard Publishing Company.

A Fallen Soldier

I am also in receipt of a booklet entitled "A Soldier of the Cross Has Fallen." It is a touching memorial to Warren Dittemore who died some weeks ago of typhus fever, contracted as he labored for Christ in the Yunnan-Tibetan Christian Mission, on the borders of China, Tibet and Burma. No one can read the excerpts it contains from letters written by Warren, his beloved wife and other coworkers and friends, telling of his vision, his work and his illness and death, without being moved and challenged to greater service for Christ.

In his last letter to his parents Warren told of baptizing 8 adults and preaching 4 sermons in one day to the hungry and thirsty people of the Mekong Valley, and of one old woman who came to him saying, "O, I get so lonesome for heaven." Warren's great desire was to help these "lonesome" people get ready for heaven. Perhaps God, in His unsearchable wisdom, saw that by taking Warren to heaven so early in his labors a host of others would be inspired to answer the call "Come over and help us."

A Touching Message

Writen from Pugeleh, in the Salween Valley, the mission nurse, Dorothy Sterling, says: "One day, a short time ago, Robert Morse received the following message from a tribe of people just three days' journey from where he was preaching in upper Burma: 'We, the Rawangs, have ever been classed as a slave-tribe to the Tibetans. Is it that our slave-tribe is fated to go to hell in the next life as well as to be spurned in this? Is this the reason you folks refuse to show us the way of salvation?'"

A Memorial

Following is a poem written by Warren Dittemore in honor of another missionary. Surely it can well be repeated in his memory:

Open the ranks, ye Soldiers of the Cross,
Another comes to find his valiant place.
Lift up your heads, ye everlasting doors,
And Oh, ye saints, ye witnessing clouds,
Let thy dear welcoming shouts ring out.
Unveil the shining, myriad-studded crown
For him reserved; sweetly adorn
That pain-wracked, faithful brow.

Surely the supreme memorial to Warren Dittemore would be for a host of young people, inspired by his sacrifice, to answer the call, "Come over into China, Tibet, Burma, India, Japan, Africa, South and Central America, Europe, and the isles of the sea, and help us;" realizing the force of Warren's last message: "Oh, it is a precious task to represent the eternal King; the most glorious service life possesses."

Missionary Mention

Mr. and Mrs. David Howell Rees and baby son flew from San Francisco, October 14, 1946, via Manila and Hong Kong, to Kunming, China. There they were to be met by J. Russell Morse, who would aid in buying supplies and arranging for an escort to Likiang where they would join Mrs. Dittemore for the mission base at Pugeleh.

We understand that Benjamin F. Allison came to the States the latter part of October, intending to return to the Philippines early in March. His mission is to find four young couples to go as missionaries to the Philippines. Writing of this need Mrs. Carrie Wolfe, veteran missionary whose husband died soon after their release from the Japanese internment camp, says: "We want these families now, the fields are ripe. Some have said they would come in five years. That is too long. The need is now. In the next six months we want these families to be on the way here. This is a Macedonian call. We want four young couples to give their lives to the Lord's work in these beautiful, productive islands. Do not expect a life of ease, but a life of service. Put your lives into God's hands. He will sustain you. God lets the missionary see the fruit of his labor. How we do praise Him for that. All your sacrifice is turned to joy in your service for the Master."

Jewish Work

Christian Witness to Israel, Inc.," a Christian work among the Jews in New York City, was 25 years old November 24. The work was founded by Charles and Margaret Weisenberg. Charles Weisenberg died October 18, 1941. The work of the mission is now carried on by Mrs. Weisenberg, Director in charge, Harry Bucalstein, Evangelist, and Elmer C. Kile, Halftime Assistant. They publish a readable paper, "Witness," which not only tells of their work but gives many instructive highlights on customs among the Jews. Along with its other work, Christian Witness to Israel conducts an active radio program. The subscription price to "Witness" is 50¢ per year. The publication address is Room 205, 69 - 5th Avenue, New York 3, N. Y.

Turner Home

E. J. Gilstrap, Supt. of Turner Memorial Home, reports a very gratifying response to the call for assistance in the purchase of a new residence, which has been located on the Home grounds. Mr. and Mrs. Gilstrap will live downstairs, and Brother George Good will live in a room upstairs in this house. Mrs. J. L. Ellis, of Sickafoose Cottage, suffered a severe stroke on November 20, and was very ill at last report. Stephens Jackson, of Seaside, 90 years of age, is the newest guest in the Home. A retired minister and wife from an eastern state are expected to occupy the Dingle cottage in the near future.

H. R. VALLEY—H. L. Porter, pastor, is teaching the Bible at three schools, in 11 classes, more than 300 pupils every week in Hood River Valley. At least half of these students are getting no other religious training. 95% of the students in the schools are taking this Bible work.

The Meaning of Christmas in Benevolence

By Walter L. Myers

We are coming again to Christmas. Christmas as a word, or as a season, is rich in varied meanings according to the spirit and understanding of those who use it.

Christmas has an important and special meaning in the ministering of benevolence. Christmas is an occasion when the love of Christ in the hearts of His people finds expression in an outpouring of Christian generosity which makes possible more than half a year of living for over 1,000 people in the 12 Homes of the National Benevolent Association.

The Christmas Offering

The Christmas offering taken on the Sunday before Christmas in thousands of Sunday Schools and Churches across America flows into the Homes and into the National Benevolent Association as a life giving stream of money and white gifts. Under the careful management of our superintendents and boards of supervisors this is transformed into the necessities of life—food, fuel, light, wages, to provide for the families in six Homes for children and six for the aged.

For them this Christmas offering is the greatest single source of living for all the year.

Love's Expression

Love must find expressin in a lot of material things to make living possible. It takes over 2,000 sheets and more than 1,000 pillow cases to make all our beds. Then think of all the mattresses, blankets, comforters, and spreads on all those beds.

It takes a lot of food. Every day for all our Homes it takes about:

250 loaves of bread
130 gallons of milk
75 dozen eggs
60 large boxes of cereals
270 pounds of meat
150 glasses of jelly or preserves

Ministering Hands

There must be many ministering, serving, hands to do all the tasks that make comfort and living possible for "all these my brethren" from the tiniest babe to the oldest and weakest of the aged.

Northwestern Christian Home has part of this great family and has a share in this ministry of benevolence. It is looking again to the churches of Oregon and the other states of the Northwest for their traditional generosity in the Christmas offering that will make possible "a heap o' lovin'" in 1947. Mrs. Laura K. Hill is Superintendent.

REDMOND—The state secretary visited Redmond November 3. The work is growing under the leadership of Walter and Rosemary Naff. Increase in attendance was very marked.

SALEM FIRST—The second Sunday in November is the annual "Swander Day." It was a real pleasure to teach the men's class in the absence of the regular teacher; to bring the morning sermon; and to have dinner in the parson's home. Dudley Strain is doing a mammoth work for so small (physically) a man. There have been 12 new members added in November.

Ninety and Nine Evangelists at Seaside

By Ed P. Dewees

On December 1 Willie White and the Robbins began a campaign with the Seaside church, Bill Morse, pastor. Their meeting at Pendleton, where O. D. Harris ministers, concluded on November 24 with 14 responses to the gospel invitation—5 by primary obedience. Average attendance in the meeting was good and a very generous offering was given by the church for the Ninety and Nine evangelistic work. On Friday, November 15, some 40 men attended a rally for the Eastern Oregon churches in that area. The dinner and program were held prior to the evangelistic service with Truman Robbins as speaker.

The team closed the Rockaway meeting (begun in Sept.) on October 13. There were 3 additions by primary obedience and 2 by transfer. The small congregation was much encouraged and called Barrett Whiteley from N. C. C. as minister. After attending the state convention, Willie and Truman, accompanied by Clifford Snyder, paid a visit to Burns. On October 20 they participated in a day of special services in honor of the first anniversary of the Burns church. The balance of their week of vacation was spent (in vain) searching for venison. (In fairness we must report that these Nimrods finally did score in the elk department while at Pendleton.)

Glendale Dedication

The long-awaited dedication of the Glendale church building took place on November 17, the closing Sunday of a meeting with Evangelist B. Ross Evans. It will be remembered that this building was purchased from the Catholics and that it had not been used for a number of years. Under the leadership of Guy Armstrong it has been beautifully remodeled and redecorated in the interior. Shortages of material have hindered in the completion of improvement, and outside painting and other work will have to wait until another summer, but despite these factors the Glendale brethren are to be complimented on their house of worship.

Your reporter shared with Hugh Olds, state president, in the fine fellowship of the dedication day and services, including the pot-luck dinner in the union hall which served as the meeting place for the church for over two years. Appropriate greetings were extended on behalf of all Ninety and Niners who had helped to underwrite the organization of the church and the purchase of the property. The dedicatory message was given by C. F. Swander.

Burns Numbers Increasing

A letter received from Milton Bower, minister at Burns, reveals 9 additions during the past month—4 of these by baptism. He indicated the church was looking forward to the revival with B. Ross Evans which was to have begun on November 24. However, B. Ross was caught in the "unusual weather" which blocked traffic on the Columbia River Highway and could not get away from his home. Plans were revised and the meeting re-scheduled to begin on November 27. Remember this meeting and the continuing needs of this new church in prayer.

Central Oregon Rally

The Bend church was host for the Central Oregon Mens' rally on November 15. The occasion was also "ladies' night," and they seemed to thoroly enjoy the entertainment. The meeting opened with a dinner served by the Bend ladies in the church social hall. Before adjourning to the church auditorium a few words of greeting were given by this writer as well as an introduction to Brother Olds who then gave his "maiden speech" as state president.

In the rally program which followed, Walter Naff led the singing with D. L. Penhollow at the piano. George Fairfield brought the devotional thought with prayer by Hugh Olds. Merle Ross, district president, then opened the meeting for business. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Ralph Bailey of Bend, president; Hamp Jordan of Redmond, vice-president; R. A. (Bob) Breckenridge of Bend, secretary; and H. E. Roberts of Redmond, treasurer. An offering of $27.50 was taken for the state work.

After a special number by the Bend Ninety and Nine quartet, host pastor, Len Fishback, introduced Hugh McCallum of Eugene as the guest speaker. Brother McCallum gave a brief word concerning the progress of the West Eugene work before bringing his message. Using the scripture from Mark 14:26-31, he proclaimed that all who would follow Jesus must accept Him as a fact, a force, and a friend. The meeting closed with the benediction by Brother Fishback.

Myrtle Point Men Hosts

Despite rain, rocks, and mud, some 20 men of the Southwestern District gathered at Myrtle Point on November 18 for their monthly meeting. Following a pot-luck dinner, the business of the evening was opened by President Henry George. Elmer Newton, president of the North Bend men, gave a report on plans adopted by that group to increase their numbers in local work. Chester Farr, state vice-president, reported on actions taken at the state executive committee meeting toward plans for the new year. The district budget was discussed and a goal of $300 voted. Your reporter gave a word on Glendale and on other phases of the work. Kenneth Knox, pastor-advisor for Southern Oregon, was introduced and gave the inspirational message of the evening. The next meeting will be at Coquille on December 16.

Rallies were also scheduled at Dayton for the Yamhill District and at Garibaldi for the Coast Disrtct on November 18, but reports on the meetings had not been received as this copy was written. However, a $60 check for the state work was received by treasurer Noble from Yamhill District. Also, word comes that Brother Dave Duncan of Willamina is able to be home after spending some time in a McMinnville hospital because of a heart attack.

St. Johns Fellowship

St. Johns men met for their regular monthly fellowship on November 13. Tom Davidson was elected president; Moses Hicks, vice-president; and Harry Burgen, secretary. Committee chairmen selected were—program, Wilbur Lewis; refreshments, Floyd Shaw; and publicity, Jim Worthington. A vote was taken to continue a $300 peldge for the district. The new officers were installed by Howard Cole, pastor, following which refreshments were served.

Mallory Entertains

The Northwest District rally was held at the Mallory Ave. church on November 25 with some 175 men in attendance. St. Johns men made a "surprise attack" on attendance honors with 40 present. The Mallory ladies served one of their usual fine dinners to get the meeting off to a good start. Singing was led by Bob Neal of Mallory with Mrs. Ida Noble as pianist. The invocation was given by Clifford Trout of Hillsboro.

George Springer of Beaverton conducted the installation service for the new district officers with James Earl Ladd giving the prayer. Earl Noble played two special instrumental numbers and the Mallory Men's Chorus followed with a special number. The business of the evening was conducted with dispatch, Caroll Jones of Multnomah making the report for district treasurer Beasley who was unable to attend because of illness. State president Olds was introduced by chairman Arnett and gave a report on his Central and Southern Oregon itinerary en route to the Glendale dedication. He also challenged the men to rise to the opportunities now afforded within our state to extend our efforts for the extension of Christ's kingdom, especially by enlisting men in His service.

The address of the evening was given by Herman F. Allen, pastor of the Piedmont Presbyterian Church, and ex-chaplain. The benedition was pronounced by Ralph Putnam.

Southern Oregon Plans

After visiting the Grants Pass revival service with Brother Olds on November 16, the Glendale services, and the Myrtle Point rally as already noted, it was the privilege of your field secretary to spend the balance of the week in Southern Oregon. A second visit to Grants Pass was made on the 19th where the revival with A. C. Bates was still in progress. On November 20 a visit was paid to the Victor Mitchells at Medford Central Ave. and the prayer meeting service was attended. The two succeeding nights were spent visiting the revival at Medford First church under E. R. Moon. The Bible School and morning services of the Ashland church were visited on November 24 and the evening service of that day was spent in the Roseburg church. The fellowship was sweet and the churches in that area are looking for wider fields of service.

BURNS—4 baptisms, 5 others, during December. Ross Evans began meeting November 27. Milton W. Bowers, pastor.

MILL CITY—The church has called Lloyd Whitford from Detroit and he began his work on December 1. F. Claude Stephens, former pastor is at Wasco.

PENDLETON — Willie White and Truman Robbins closed their meeting with 5 confessions and 9 statements. O. D. Harris is pastor.

WILLAMINA—1 baptism and 1 statement in November. The Jupins will begin meeting January 5. Had a Thanksgiving ingathering of food for our benevolent homes. Started weekly youth night program on Tuesday nights. The church is paying $100 monthly on salary of W. C. Cole, missionary to Japan. Ray C. Smith, pastor.

Financial

November Offerings

CHURCHES: Albany, $65.70; Coquille, $24.96; Corvallis, $10.80; Hermiston, $110; Hood River Valley, $25; Kern Park, $10.41; La Grande, $50; Portland I, $200; Salem First, $25; St. Johns, $28.27; Thurston, $10; Trent, $25; Vanport, $25.79.

SCHOOLS: Baker, $25; Lorane, $8.85; Oakland, $10; Redmond, $3.87; Springfield, $48.43; St. Helens, $7.19.

INDIVIDUALS: Meyer Tan-Ditter, $2; T. G. Richardson, $6; M. W. Bower, $6; Mrs. Capps, $5; C. F. Swander, $10.

CENTENNIAL: Robert John Buckley, Dallas, $1; Mrs. Della Purkerson, Franklin, $10; David and Fay Moon, Eugene, $50; Virginia Robbins, $10; Church, Salem First, $42; Cecil F. Bacus, Sellwood, $50; Stoe Farrell, Turner, $10; B. F. Shoemaker, Salem Court, $10; Arthur C. Bates, Klamath, $10.

W. O. CONFERENCE: Dinner profits, $10.

MISCELLANEOUS: N. C. C. Students, $1.

November has been a light month, yet it was heavier than November one year ago. Our churches and schools must not forget that our budget for the year is $11,000. 27 churches have indicated goals in the total amount of $2,470. If this same average can be maintained in all the churches our budget is safe.

The centennial receipts for the month were $18. There still are yet 199 pledges which are not fully paid up. We have not yet reached the full $50,000 in cash. If those knowing their pledges are not yet paid will send in all or part of them we will appreciate it very much. Do not let them become too far delinquent.

A False Rumor

It was printed in the Mill City paper, and copied in the Oregon Journal, that the Christian Church in Mill City had offered its basement for use as a roller skating rink and dancing. The brethren at Mill City wishes it known that this is absolutely untrue. If any one has heard this report they will know its falsity. Lloyd Whitford is the new pastor at Mill City and is starting out with good promise.

GRANTS PASS—The meeting by Arthur C. Bates closed November 24 with 14 confessions and 12 otherwise. $3,000 was raised for the building fund. Gordon L. Hypes, pastor.

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Dinner for 15

Fifteen N. C. C. students enjoyed a fine thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mrs. Vera Morgan. These students were unable to go home for the holiday. But thanks to Mrs. Morgan they enjoyed a fine dinner and fellowship.

Rehm Hall Gift

Mrs. Edgar Kellems, nee Hazel Dean Long, Pasadena, California, made a generous gift to the Rehm Hall dormitory in the form of a large number of beautiful vases and flower containers. Mrs. Kellems is an alumna of N. C. C.

Legacy

A small legacy was received recently from the estate of Mrs. Ella Moody—We are thankful to those who are remembering the College in this way. They continue to have a p[art] in Kingdom building.

Goulter Meetings

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When Mrs. Russell was sent home from Congo a few months ago, she was in a critical physical condition, but following successful surgery, her health has been restored and she will go back to active duty on the mission field.

Miss Alice Clark who has been on furlough in this country from her work at Bilaspur C. P. India, has recently returned by air flying from New York to Karachi. Dr. and Mrs. Victor P. Rambo are other long-time missionaries to India who were to return some time in November.

Dr. and Mrs. George L. Hagman, formerly on the staff of the Christian Hospital at Nantung, expected to return to their station some time in November; as did Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Haskell who were stationed at Wuhu.

The S. S. Marine Lynx with 400 missionaries aboard finally sailed from San Francisco for the Orient on September 29. The ship had been held in port for many weeks due to the shipping strike. Among the Disciple missionaries aboard going to China were George Cherryholmes, Mrs. M. Searle Bates, Mrs. James M. McCallum, and Mrs. Lewis S. C. Smythe with her daughters Margaret Ann and Joan. This group of helpers will add new impetus to our China mission work.

Miss Eota Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gray Russell, Disciple missionaries to Congo, became the bride of Ted Champion at the Disciples House on the campus of Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. Miss Russell was enrolled in Nurses training and Mr. Champion is continuing his studies in preparation for the mission field.

Young persons who have volunteered for service on foreign mission fields recently met with the trustees of United Christian Missionary Society. These included Leonard Brummett, Mrs. Edwin T. Cornelius, John David Glisman, Miss Marjorie Hill, Miss Isabel May Sarvis, Miss Rebecca Lea Sims, Wescott J. Walker and William E. DeClark. These are some of the recruits under the Adult Missionary Project which was completed last year.

E. Marx Writes of China

Edwin Marx, secretary of the China Christian Mission who is making a tour of the mission properties recently made an interesting post-war appraisal of conditions as he found them. He said in part "Our China Mission is setting its face toward its unfinished task. Our members and their works are known and respected among the other communions in China. Our staff of Chinese workers came through the ordeal of eight years of hardships, humiliations and perils of war with a record not only untarnished but enhanced. Despite severe temptations and pressure they have not had to our knowledge, any case of moral failure or betrayal of trust. The popular confidence in which our constituency holds us is shown by the demand of students to enter our schools, far more than can be admitted; by the church congregations, larger than ever before; and the earnest petitions for our medical institutions to resume work. The younger generation of our Chinese leaders is assuming responsibility with superb devotion, vision and ability. Among these, Dr. Luther Shao, the Chinese administrative secretary, is a typical example whom we past... proud to honor. But we need to do more. We should not go on indefinitely leaving scores of towns and cities and millions of people within our reach untouched by the gospel. We need to build nobly on the excellent foundations we have laid. Instead of "concentration for greater effectiveness," we must inaugurate a policy of expansion AND greater effectiveness. We believe it can be done, but it will require the wholehearted cooperation of our entire brotherhood, in China and in North America, in faith and prayer, and in fellowship of personal service and stewardship, on a scale we have not before realized."

Why Should I Teach?

Did you ever ask yourself that question? Did you ever give it a satisfactory answer? Harry C. Munro gives the best answer to the question we have seen in a little 48 page booklet of 6 chapters. It deals with motives for teaching and declares that teaching can be made a great spiritual adventure. It is a study of what teaching is and the skills that are required for successful teaching. Published by the Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis 3, Missouri.

State Secretaries

While this paper is being read your editor is in St. Louis attending the annual meeting of state secretaries. Upon his return trip he will side-trip into Iowa for a couple days to visit his only sister whom he has not seen for 12 years. While he is gone Mrs. Irene Douglass, office girl, will take over the reins of office and will get the paper ready for mailing. You will be indebted to Charlie Addleman for getting the papers to the postoffice. We will return about the 18th, rested and refreshed (we hope.)

WORSHIP

By Thelma Stanley

Christmas will soon be here. With the many activities of the home, school, church and community, the real meaning and observance of Christ's birth on Christmas day is often forgotten.

Love for home and loved ones can be made stronger if on Christmas day the family will take time to unite together in a service of worship for the Saviour of the world. In order for families to honor the birth of Christ on Christmas Day a suggested worship service for such is as follows:

(Family seated in a semi-circle around the fireplace or tree. Room darkened and candles lighted).

Prelude: Soft playing on the piano, "While Shepherds watched their flocks." If no piano, sing this song.

Call to Worship: Psalm 118:24.

Hymn: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing."

Scripture: Luke 2:1-20.

Hymn: "Away in a Manger," or "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear."

Poem: "A Christmas Prayer," Page 83 in "Christ of the Fine Arts."

Circle of Prayer by members of the family. Stand and join hands while each member of the family offers a short prayer.

Hymn: "Joy to the World."

If you desire the story and hymn mentioned above send me a self addressed envelope and I will mail them to you. Address to Mrs. Arthur J. Stanley, 442 S. E. 68th Ave., Portland 15, Oregon.

Missionaries to pray for this month are: Miss Hattie Mitchell, Africa; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin J. Smith, Alaska.

Bates to Silverton

On December 1 Arthur C. Bates began a ministry with the church at Silverton. For three years (lacking one month) Brother Bates has been our centennial evangelist. His was the task of raising the $50,000 centennial fund. Through his wise leadership it was oversubscribed, and lacks less than $3,000 of being paid up in full. That was not the only thing he did—he added many to the churches he visited, and was an ambassador of good will to all the churches. The State Board leads a happy brotherhood of 33,000 people in Oregon in saying, "Thank you, Brother and Sister Bates, for the good work you have done, and for the happy fellowship we have had with you these past three years." And to the church at Silverton, "Brethren, we hope you realize the prize you have drawn in this selection of a minister you have made. Give him your love, your moral and financial backing, follow his leadership, and you will do a great work. God bless you."

Church Life Institute

As copy for this issue closes the Church Life Institute, being held in the Central Christian Church, Portland, has gotten off to a good start. More than 300 attendance on the first night. Dr. R. M. Bell, President of Johnson Bible College, Tennessee, hit center with a good old-fashioned gospel sermon. C. H. Richards is not waning in his power as song leader. The faculty have full class rooms. Churches from out of the city are participating. Byron Meek, Chairman of the Institute Committee, is presiding and he puts punch into it.

Conference Party

For many years it has been the custom of conference young people in western Oregon to meet together from time to time for a party. They have dinner together, then indulge in games for a little while, and close up with a devotional service. On Novemer 22 about 60 young people and about a dozen of their adult leaders met at Portland First Church for such an evening. It was right in the midst of a bad rain storm, but they came from as far as Eugene. Arrangements were made for a repetition of such a good time at Eugene on February 28. Such a party is much more wholesome for young people than a road house.

Glendale Dedication

Some months ago this congregation purchased the Catholic building. They have improved it and made it livable. Our Permanent Fund loaned them $1,500 with which to work it over. It is not yet all done, but the closing day of Ross Evans' meeting seemed a fitting time to dedicate it. Consequently November 17 was a high day for that little church. Visitors came from Grants Pass and Medford. Guy Armstrong started this work four years ago and it is now a husky infant. The meeting closed with 2 confessions of faith and the congregation much encouraged.

SALEM COURT ST.—The meeting by Gene Chamberlain closed on November 24 with 1 baptism and 3 transfers. There were 7 reconsecrations. Everyone was highly satisfied with the result. Brother Chamberlain goes to Corbett for December. This is his boyhood church.

Youth Work

November was a red letter month for our Oregon youth. Lester G. McAllister, National Director for Youth Work, spent four days in the state. On the 6th he met a large youth group at Salem First Church. On the 7th he spoke at the chapel hour at N. C. C., and in the evening at Eugene First Church. Then on the 9th he spent all day in conference with the State Youth Committee and State Educational Committee. That night there was a mass meeting for youth in the First Christian Church. It was well attended. On Sunday morning he was guest speaker for Ronald Osburn at Creswell. He has promised to come back in the spring and assist in holding a Youth Planning Conference. You will be welcome, Lester!

Obituary

Garfield Billingsley, member of the Portland First Church, died November 19. He had been ill a long time. He leaves a wife and son.

William H. Duncan, member of Portland First Church, died on November 17. His wife preceded him about two years. He leaves a daughter, a son, two sisters and a brother.

Nellie May Gardner, beloved wife of Arthur E. Gardner, died at their home in Ashland November 26 after a lingering illness. Interment was at Yoncalla. She was a member of the Mallory Avenue Church for many years. The sympathy of many will go out to the husband.

Mrs. J. L. Ellis died at her home in Turner in the early morning of Friday, November 29. She had been an invalid for some time and had recently suffered a stroke. She was a long time member of the church and a faithful Christian. Surviving her are husband, and a daughter, Nadine. The sympathy of many friends go out to them.

Christian Education for Adults

This is a 64 page booklet by Wilbur C. Parry. It is a handbook for leaders of adults and may be used as a guide in class work. There are six chapters. It is just off the press and may be ordered from the publishers, The Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis 3, Missouri.

OAKLAND — The State Secretary spent Sunday, December 1, at Oakland. It was very enjoyable. The sanctuary has been repaired, decorated, and a beautiful picture placed just back of the baptistry. It is a beautiful room. Much of the credit belongs to the pastor, Freeman Yardley. He has done a splendid work there.

VERNONIA — 19 baptisms, 13 transfers since May 12. 171 in Bible School November 24, and the church was comfortably filled for the worship service. An offering of food and $32 in cash was taken for the Northwestern Christian Home. The junior congregation is averaging 41. The Loyal Women's Class, helped by others, sponsors the support of a Chinese boy under the supervision of O. J. Goulter. The pastor, Ernest P. Baker, was elected president of the Lion's Club.

CRESWELL — The state secretary went to Creswell on November 24. Ronald Osburn is pastor. It was a pleasure to have part in both services.